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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EXECUTIVE MATTERS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS

Voting Members:

Andria Tupola, Chair; Carol Fukunaga, Vice-Chair; Radiant Cordero, Brandon J.C. Elefante, Esther Kia'āina, Calvin Say, Heidi Tsuneyoshi, Augie Tulba, Tommy Waters

Committee Meeting Held March 21, 2022

Honorable Tommy Waters Chair, City Council City and County of Honolulu

Mr. Chair:

Your Committee on Executive Matters and Legal Affairs, which considered Bill 11 (2022) entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE PILI I KA MAHINA 'ŌLELO HAWAI'I RELATING TO MAHINA 'ŌLELO HAWAI'I,"

introduced on February 17, 2022 and which passed First Reading at the February 23, 2022 Council meeting, reports as follows:

The purpose of Bill 11 (2022) is to designate the month of February as "Mahina 'Ōlelo Hawai'i" (Hawaiian Language Month) to celebrate and encourage the use of the Hawaiian language.

Makanani Sala, Executive Director with the Mayor's Office of Culture and the Arts testified on behalf of the City Administration in support of the Resolution.

Your Committee received public comment in support of the Resolution from the Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement and from Kanaeokana. Your Committee received written testimony in support of the Resolution from 26 individuals.

Testimony was also received from the following institutions, organizations, and governmental agencies in support of the Resolution: 'Aha Punana Leo; Bess Press; Boys & Girls Club of Hawaii; Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement; Democratic Party of Hawaiii, Hawaiian Affairs Caucus; Iolani Palace; Kamehameha Schools; Kanaeokana; Kua'āina Ulu 'Auamo; Native Hawaiian Chamber of Commerce; Native

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Hawaiian Education Council; Native Hawaiian Legal Corporation; Papa Ola Lokahi; Partners in Development Foundation; and the Waikiki Hawaiian Civic Club.

Your Committee on Executive Matters and Legal Affairs is in accord with the intent and purpose of Bill 11 (2022) and recommends that it pass second reading, be scheduled for a public hearing, and be referred back to Committee. (Ayes: Cordero, Elefante, Fukunaga, Kiaʻāina, Say, Tulba, Tupola – 7; Noes: None; Excused: Tsuneyoshi, Waters – 2.)

Respectfully submitted,

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